

**Bay Lake Improvement Association  
Board Meeting Minutes  
10:00 A.M., Saturday April 18, 2009  
Woodland Beach Resort**

Officers/Directors	Present	Committee Chairs	Present
Jespersen, Patricia – President	X	Albertson, Chuck - Conservation	
Ruttger, Chris – VP		Bye, Jim - Runtilla	
Gondeck, Chris – Co-Treasurer	X	Erickson, Paul – History	
Graff, Sylvia - Co-Treasurer	X	Hanson, Ruth - Continuity	
Ysseldyke, Jim - Secretary	X	Kelly, Mike - Legal	
Devins, David – Aquatic Plant Mgmt	X	Kraft, Joel – Fishing Contest	
Ciresi, Dominic – Beach Captains	X	Knutson, Don – Env Fund Assistant	
Bale, Rick – Environmental Fund	X	Krueger, Kevin – Water Safety	
Jessen, Mark		Marquardt, Betty - Membership	X
Roloff, Mark - Nominating	X	Nelson, Jim - Security	
Keller, Bobbie - Breezes		Orwoll, Gregg - Fireworks	
Malek, Gary – Fishing Resources	X	Parrish, John	
Souder, Steve – Conservation and Runtilla		Peterson, Tori – Shoreline Protection	
		Poland, Jerry - Government	
		Shekels, Scott - Website	
		Souder, Tiffin – Shoreline Protection	

The meeting was called to order at 10:10 am by President Trish Jespersen. Don Hale was present as a guest.

**MINUTES**

Action on the September 2008 Board meeting minutes had been tabled until we could get water quality readings clarified (not literally). There is no further information on the readings, so a correction was made in the minutes. David Devins moved that the minutes be approved and this was seconded by Gary Malek. Minutes approved.

The minutes of the Decemper, 2008 Board meeting were distributed. Betty Marquardt made a motion that the minutes be approved as distributed. Seconded by Sylvia Graff. Minutes approved.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

Sylvia Graff distributed a copy of the BLIA financial report ending 12/31/08. Dominic Ceresi made a motion that the report be approved and this was seconded by David Devins. Report approved.

Chris Gondeck distributed a copy of the Consolidated Balance Sheet and Fund Statements for the period ended December 31, 2008. Betty Marquardt moved that the report be approved and this was seconded by David Devins. Treasurer's report approved.

### **MEMBERSHIP**

Betty Marquardt reported that we now have 5 members. She noted that Steve Souder was the first to pay his dues online for 2009.

### **AQUATIC PLANT MANAGEMENT REPORT**

David Devins indicated that we are on track to repeat activities from 2008. He indicated that a survey of treatment effectiveness will be taken during May. David reported that we treated 80,000 acres in Fall.

There was a brief discussion of the fact that zebra mussels have taken a firm hold in Mille Lacs, and we discussed the need to increase very careful access monitoring this year.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL FUND REPORT**

Rick Bale reported that donations to the Environmental Fund for 2008 were \$150,409. This is a very high level compared to previous years. Rick reported that the fundraising letter for this spring has gone to Marleen.

Rick has requested a cost analysis from Heidi for online expenses and these will be discussed at a subsequent meeting.

Rick distributed a copy of the contract with the DNR for access monitoring for 2009. This obligates us to pay \$2000 for 166 hours of monitoring. The DNR then matches this by granting us an additional 166 hours.

### **ACCESS MONITORING**

Sylvia Graff indicated that we get a report from the DNR on numbers and hours of access monitoring and said that her records do not match with the DNR. The DNR indicated that they monitored in May, and yet they also indicate that they do not start until June. We will continue to watch this. If the discrepancy is small we will ignore it, but if there is a large discrepancy we will investigate further. Sylvia and Rick will talk to the DNR coordinator.

At the December meeting we talked about camp staff doing monitoring and this was tabled until the April meeting. Gary Malek suggested that those who monitor the access should be allowed to indicate where their volunteer hours (and dollars) go to. A discussion was held about having volunteer hours go to the camp, the association, the Deerwood Lions and perhaps other groups. At this time we estimate that we need 1000 hours of access monitoring for summer 2009. Last year the numbers of hours monitored were as follows:

235 hours by DNR (of which 56 was drive time)

120 hours by volunteers

300 hours by Deerwood Lions

655 hours total

So, we are short about 400 hours in access monitoring

David Devins made a motion that we allocate \$10,000 for 2009 for access monitoring. This was seconded by Chris Gondeck and the motion was passed.

David Devins moved that the Board must approve recipients of funds from access monitoring and the motion was seconded by Chris Gondeck. Motion approved.

David Devins moved that Church Camp could be a recipient of funds for doing access monitoring. Seconded by Chris Gondeck. Motion passed.

### **WATER QUALITY**

Mark Roloff reported that 2008-2009 is an off year for winter water sampling. He also indicated that repairs will be needed for the catch basins on Highway 10 and at Ruttgers.

### **CHURCH ISLAND CAMP**

The Camp will celebrate the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Church ownership of the island this year. There will be a concert of the Twin City Gospel Choir with Robert Robinson on July 18 at Ruttgers. This will be a joint fundraiser for the Camp and the BLIA.

The Church Camp will again hold a raffle this summer.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Don Hale reported on changes at the Planning and Zoning Board. Over-the-counter building permits are no longer being issued. Permits will be issued within 10 days (striving for 5 days). Inspectors will visit property and meet with landowners. Effort is to work with landowners to achieve the best solution to buildings and additions. There is a new Planning Review team that will review requests for variances and meet with landowners. Onsite visits will be made prior to variances on properties. People who do get variances will have conditions and these will be inspected. Don indicated that the changes are being made to make the process smoother and less adversarial than it may have been in the past.

Presbyterian camp is having an open house on their property on Clearwater Lake on July 11 from 10:30 am to 7 pm. An announcement will appear in the Breezes.

The golf scramble and picnic is scheduled for August 8.

The next Board meeting will be May 17, 2009 at Woodland Beach.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Dominic Ciresi moved the adjournment of the meeting at 11:35 am. David Devins seconded. It was approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Jim Ysseldyke  
Secretary

**Adjournment**